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Title: "Printed Net"	)	
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Serial No. 10/578,759	)	

# Response to Formalities Letter

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Mr. Anderson:

In response to the Formalities Letter dated January 3, 2006, applicant does not understand why the Examiner requested an additional \$25 total claims fee for this application. The Formalities Letter stated that the application contains 4 total claims over 20. Applicant's records indicate that the application contains only 23 total claims. Applicant does not understand why there is a disagreement between records of the U.S. Patent Office and applicant's records.

Enclosed herewith is a Credit Card Payment Form authorizing payment to the USPTO of \$25. Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the request for an additional \$25. If the Examiner persists with the request after reviewing records of the U.S. Patent Office, the USPTO is authorized to charge my credit card for \$25. Thank you.

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Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Response to Formalities Letter (3 pages) including a copy of the Formalities Letter (2 pages) was transmitted by first class mail, postage prepaid, addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, this 44 day of January, 2007.

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## Notification of Insufficient Fees (DO/EO/US)

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/05/2006
- English Translation of the IA filed on 05/05/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/05/2006
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 05/05/2006
- Oath or Declaration filed on 05/05/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/05/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/05/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 05/05/2006

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

Additional claim fees of \$25 as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are
required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are
due.

#### SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$25 for a Small Entity:

- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$ 25
  - \$25 for 4 total claims over 20.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE

# DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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